

**CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
January 21, 2010**

PRESENT: Joe Vitale, Sara Carpenter, Ed Cohen, Diane Ripple, Missy Kueht-Becker, Jim Pearson, Lisa McLean, Raquel Mehring, Barbara Vaughn-Peterson, Barb Holtz, Ron Pupp, Faith Holley-Beal, Jim Pearson, Eve Altizer

STAFF PRESENT: Jesus Mireles, Peter Slesar, Antwayne Robertson

Diane Ripple called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of minutes was tabled until February meeting.

BOARD LIAISON REPORT

Joe Vitale provided a summary of Bill 214 regarding the termination of parental rights. At the Dec HHS Joint Board meeting there was much discussion of H1N1. Budget preparation talks don't sound encouraging, the CAFSAC committee may want to touch on the prevention factor during our Needs presentation. Agencies should consider inviting the Board to their facilities to talk about the work that is done at each agency as a way to increase the Boards understanding.

ISSUE SEGMENT – QUALITY SERVICE REVIEW

Jesse Mireles introduced Mary Alice Grosser and Sue Sevenz who walked the committee through the findings of the state QSR. Sue provided the history of the State review which began in 2003 and is based on Florida model. Federal government comes back to WI in 2010. The first federal review in WI was 2005 and the County did well. The Goals of the QSR are: Safety of workers; Team meetings; GAL discussions on improve the GALs. The process involves randomly selecting 12 cases to look at in-depth. The effort is to stabilize the family over the long-term rather than to respond to crisis incident. There is an emphasis on cross training among County and collaborative partners. Also emphasized involving fathers when safe and when possible. Emphasis also being placed on trauma informed services. Waukesha is doing well on the services provided. Overall, there are more families with complex challenges: abuse of prescription drugs, mental health issues, trauma, domestic violence and treatment needs. Most Child Status categories are in the maintenance zone for Safety & Permanency and Well-being. Detailed findings are available. Handouts of findings are available.

CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT

Partnership for Children's Mental Health Report Still working on emergency detention data and trends in mental health. Spoke with juvenile center supervisors about how to provide best care. More and more young people effected by mental health are interacting with juvenile justice center. Seems to be a lot of criminal charges occurring simultaneously with emergency detention. Crisis workers are doing a great job with the resources they have but trauma informed

care would be a nice development. All were recertified in the State CANS training and administration. All workers are CANS users. 2 staff will be trained in assessing long-term waiver functional screening. Also setting dates for coordinating committee which will meet for 60-90 minutes every 3 months. Eve's dept. has money to conduct trainings and she is looking for suggestions on unmet needs in the community. Suggestion was that childcare workers, 4K and library workers could use training.

CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT (Jesús Mireles)

Children with Special Needs Subcommittee Report Family Resource Fair for children with special needs will be held March 15th. UCP eliminating waiting list in 2010. Children's waiver program has 53 new slots in addition to existing slots. Birth to 3 funding was cut but stimulus money was provided to make up the deficit. 2011 will be a challenging year. The number of children is declining slightly.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on February 18, 2010 at 8:30 a.m. in the Board Room of the Human Services Center.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Approved on _____
(Date)